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Annual PREA Review for Corrective Action pursuant to PREA Standard 115.288

January 1, 2020-December 31, 2020

The Prison Rape Elimination Act (PREA) of 2012 mandates that correctional facilities and prisons provide a copy of their annual review (PREA Standard 115.288) of all related PREA investigations inclusive of any potential problem areas and any and all corrective actions taken by the respective facility. The annual review considers the investigative reports, review team assessments and any other related information.

Based on the review of reported incidents we continue making changes to our policies to prevent, detect, or respond to sexual abuse and to be in compliance with PREA standards. When residents, third parties and anonymous reports are made the appropriate steps are immediately taken to secure all residents involved and provide them with the appropriate services, and when necessary; re-classification. The matters are each investigated fully and findings were made within the appropriate time frames.

The PREA Review Team conducted a review of all PREA matters and there were no PREA incidents investigated.

At this point we have a comparative analysis of PREA incidents for the year 2019 to 2020. In the year 2020, there were a total of zero (0) PREA incidents.

If any incidents are reported, the first responding staff will continue responding to each incident and intervene pursuant to policy. If they observe PREA related behavior they are required to follow the required reporting system immediately following the reporting of the PREA incident. If medical/mental attention is necessary the protocols would be adhered to.

The Review Team met on December 2020, and recommended a new camera be installed in the kitchen area after a blind spot was discovered. The PREA Victimization form was modified and the team agreed to take more trainings from the PREA Resource website. During the 2020 year, seven (7) residential monitors were hired to continue monitoring the residents and the facility.

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